

INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EXECUTIVE ASSIGNMENT EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT

California State Government supports equal opportunity to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, sexual orientation, medical condition or pregnancy. It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free work place. Any applicant for state employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing Civil Service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

DEPARTMENT: INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF	RELEASE DATE: Monday, July 20, 2009
POSITION Deputy Commissioner, Financial TITLE: Surveillance Branch, CEA 4	FINAL FILING DATE: Monday, August 3, 2009
CEA LEVEL: CEA 4	EXTENDED FINAL FILING DATE:
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POSITION DESCRIPTION

Reporting directly to the Chief Deputy Insurance Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner, Financial Surveillance Branch, CEA 4, provides advice and policy direction to the Insurance Commissioner, Chief Deputy Insurance Commissioner, and the Executive Staff on a wide range of administrative and program policies; provides advice with respect to monitoring company financial status, insurers seeking to do business in California and actuarial issues. The Deputy Commissioner will also direct the monitoring of the solvency of insurance companies doing business in California; manage the ongoing surveillance and analysis of insurance companies which have been identified as having an adverse financial condition; represent the Department at legislative hearings, conferences, and national regulatory meetings; and is a member of the Commissioner's Executive Staff. The Deputy Commissioner also provides overall management responsibility and direction of the Financial Surveillance Branch which consists of the Field Examination Division, Financial Analysis Division, Actuarial Office, and Premium Tax and Troubled Companies Bureau located in Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must meet the following minimum qualifications:

Either I

Must be a State civil service employee with permanent civil service status or who previously had permanent status in the State civil service.

Or II

Must be a current or former employee of the Legislature, with two or more consecutive years as defined in Government code § 18990.

Or III

Must be a current or former non-elected exempt employee of the Executive Branch with two or more consecutive years (excluding those positions for which salaries are set by statute) as defined in Government Code § 18992.

Or IV

Must be a person retired from the United States military, honorably discharged from active military duty with a service-connected disability, or honorably discharged from active duty as defined in Government Code § 18991.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Applicants must demonstrate the ability to perform high administrative and policy – influencing functions effectively. Such overall ability requires possession of most of the following more specific knowledge and abilities:

- (1) Knowledge of the organization and functions of California State Government including the organization and practices of the Legislature and the Executive Branch; principles, practices, and trends of public administration, organization, and management; techniques of organizing and motivating groups; program development and evaluation; methods of administrative problem solving; principles and practices of policy formulation and development; and personnel management techniques; the department's or agency's Equal Employment Opportunity Program objectives; and a manager's role in the Equal Employment Opportunity Program.
- (2) Ability to plan, organize, and direct the work of multidisciplinary professional and administrative staff; analyze administrative policies, organization, procedures and practices; integrate the activities of a diverse program to attain common goals; gain the confidence and support of top level administrators and advise them on a wide range of administrative matters; develop cooperative working relationships with representatives of all levels of government, the public, and the Legislature and Executive branches; analyze complex problems and recommend effective courses of action; and prepare and review reports; and effectively contribute to the department's or agency's Equal Employment Opportunity objectives.

These knowledge and abilities are expected to be obtained from the following kinds of experience with substantial participation in the formulation, operation and/or evaluation of program policies (experience may have been paid or volunteer; in State service, other government settings, or in a private organization):

- **CEA Level 1.** Supervisory/administrative experience in a line or staff activity, including the execution and/or evaluation of program policies.
- **CEA Levels 2 and 3.** Broad administrative or program manager experience with substantial participation in the formulation, operation, and/or evaluation of program policies.
- **CEA Levels 4 and 5.** Extensive managerial and program administrative experience which has included substantial responsibility for a combination of management functions such as program planning; policy formulation; organization coordination and

control; and fiscal and personnel management. Where high technical professional qualifications are of primary importance in performing the duties of a given CEA position, then the above required experience may have been in a staff capacity exercising professional skills to influence and contribute to program, policy, and methods of providing those professional services. Primary examples are medical doctors and attorneys.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATION(S)

- Knowledge of insurance accounting (including both Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Statutory Accounting Principles) and finance systems.
- Knowledge of the methods of conducting financial examinations and financial analysis of insurers and analysis of reinsurance contracts.
- Knowledge of the organization and functions of California State Government, including the organization and practices of the insurance industry and the Department of Insurance.
- Knowledge of the principles, practices and trends in public administration, organization and management.
- Knowledge of the laws, rules and regulations that govern insurance activities.
- Knowledge of the principles and practices of policy formulation and development.
- Knowledge of the practices and procedures of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

A minimum rating of 70% must be attained to obtain list eligibility. Hiring interviews may be conducted with the most qualified candidates. All candidates will receive written notification of their examination results. The result of this examination will be used only to fill the position of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Financial Surveillance Branch**, **CEA 4**, with the **INSURANCE**, **DEPARTMENT OF**. Applications will be retained for twelve months.

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Applications, resumes, and qualification descriptions will be reviewed by the departmental executives. Candidates may be selected for interviews or a final hiring decision may be made based on the information contained in the applications, resumes, and the two-page Statement of Qualifications.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

All applications must be received by 5:00 p.m., close of business, on August 3, 2009, the final filing date.

Interested applicants must submit:

- A completed Standard State Application (Form 678).
- A "Statement of Qualifications". The Statement is a narrative discussion of how the candidate's education, training, experience, and skills meet the minimum and desirable qualifications and qualify them for the position. The Statement of Qualifications serves as a documentation of each candidate's ability to present information clearly and concisely in writing and should be

typed and no more than two pages in length.

• Resumes do not take the place of the Statement of Qualifications. Applicants who fail to submit the Statement of Qualifications will be eliminated from the examination process.

Applications must be submitted by the final filing date to:

INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF, Human Resources Management Division 300 Capitol Mall, Suite 1300, Sacramento, CA 95814 Tiffany Chew | (916) 492-3311 | chewt@insurance.ca.gov

SPECIAL TESTING

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Part 2 of the "Examination Application." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you meet the requirements stated in this bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The INSURANCE, DEPARTMENT OF reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others.

Class specs: http://www.dpa.ca.gov/textdocs/specs/s7/s7500.txt